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A weekly analysis of broadcasts by Russia and neighboring Russian controlled countries is essential for OIS operations. I have discussed the topic frequently with you, and I am sure I don't have to convince you of the importance of such a service. I asked the Research Division in the Department to prepare such a document, and they have finally started. This request was meant as a gap filling device until you had the facilities to provide us and high officials of the Department outside of OIS with such weekly analysis.

The experience of last two weeks convinced me that such an analysis has to be prepared by an office which is close to the source material, and I hope that you will make all efforts to speed the preparations necessary to start such a weekly service.

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